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SUBJ: MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT

BOUMEDIENNE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM ME TO PRESIDENT
BOUMEDIENNE AND INFORM FOREIGN MINISTER BOUTEFLIKA

2. BEGIN TEXT:

YOUR EXCELLENCY:

I AM PLEASE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS
BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL, IN WHICH WE HAVE BEEN ASSISTING
THE PARTIES AT THEIR REQUEST, HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY
CONCLUDED. IT WILL BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY IN EGYPT,
ISRAEL AND WASHINGTON THAT AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THEM
WILL BE INITIALED TODAY AND SIGNED LATER IN THE
WEEK IN GENEVA. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO PARTIES WILL
THEN WORK OUT IN THE MILITARY WORKING GROUP OF THE
GENEVA CONFERENCE A PROTOCOL FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF
THE AGREEMENT, UPON SIGNATURE OF WHICH LATER IN
SEPTEMBER THE AGREEMENT WILL ENTER INTO EFFECT.

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UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT, ISRAEL WILL

WITHDRAW FROM THE SINAI PASSES AND OIL FIELDS, AND BOTH PARTIES AGREE NOT TO RESORT TO FORCE AND TO CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE A FINAL PEACE SETTLEMENT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE GENEVA PEACE CONFERENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 338. THEY HAVE ALSO AGREED TO A PROPOSAL, WHICH MUST BE APPROVED BY OUR CONGRESS, WHEREBY THEY WILL ENTRUST TO THE UNITED STATES AN EARLY WARNING SYSTEM IN THE AREA OF THE SINAI PASSES. THE UNITED STATES WILL MAKE AVAILABLE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL NOT TO EXCEED 200 IN NUMBER FOR THIS PURPOSE.

THE UNITED STATES, LIKE THE PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT, CONSIDERS THAT THIS CONSTITUTES A FURTHER SIGNIFICANT STEP TOWARD A JUST AND LASTING PEACE FOR ALL THE NATIONS AND PEOPLES OF THE MIDDLE EAST. YOU AND I HAVE DISCUSSED ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL, WHICH WE SHARE. IT IS MY CONVICTION THAT WILL MOVE THE MIDDLE EAST CLOSER TO THIS GOAL. AND IT IS THE FIRM INTENTION OF THE UNITED STATES TO REMAIN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN PROMOTING PROGRESS ON THE OTHER ISSUES OF A FINAL SETTLEMENT, INCLUDING EVENTUAL SATISFACTION OF THE LEGITIMATE INTERESTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. THE NATIONAL INTEREST OF THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS OUR DEDICATION TO PEACE, REQUIRES NOTHING LESS.

EGYPT AND ISRAEL, FOR THEIR PART, UNDERSTAND THAT THIS PROCESS MUST CONTINUE TO GO FORWARD. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THIS POINT IN PARTICULAR, BECAUSE I KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO YOU THAT AN OVERALL SETTLEMENT BE ACHIEVED. PRESIDENT FORD IS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE TO WORK FOR A COMPREHENSIVE, JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND I BELIEVE WE SHALL HAVE THE BROAD SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND CONGRESS IN OUR EFFORTS. IT IS MY HOPE AND BELIEF THAT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL WILL HAVE A POSITIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL IMPACT ON ATTITUDES BOTH IN AMERICA AND IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND WILL CONTRIBUTE MEASURABLY TO GENERATING NEW MOMENTUM TOWARD PEACE.

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I LOOK FORWARD TO AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THESE MATTERS AS WELL AS OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS AND THE BROAD QUESTION OF CONSUMER RELATIONS WITH YOU AND YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER.

WARM PERSONAL REGARDS,

HENRY A. KISSINGER.

END TEXT.

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